(c) whether Government propose to provide any road-link (even by construction of a bridge) from Trilokpuri (Mayur Vihar Phase-I) to Vasundara Enclave;

(d) the number of requests received by the authorities concerned for the purpose as on 31st October, 1993 and the action taken on each of the requests by Government so far; and

(e) by when the proposal is likely to be materialised and the quantum of expenditure involved in it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) The Delhi Development Authority has reported that 49 Co-operative Group Housing Societies have been allotted land in Vasundhara Enclave, Delhi-91 known as Chilla Dhallupura Residential Scheme of DDA as on 31-10-1993.

(b) A 30 metre wide approach road between Kondli and Vasundhara Enclave which joins Kalyanpuri/Trilokpuri is in commission and residents do not have to cross into NOIDA in order to reach Vasundara Enclave.

(c) and (d) The Office of the Chief Engineer (PWD) Government of Delhi Zone-I has reported that there is a proposal to construct a four lane bridge across Hindon Cut Canal adjoining Gazipur drain on the 24 metre right of way road connecting Vasundhra Enclave with Patparganj/Trilokpuri.

The possession of 24 metre right of way road at two ends of the proposed bridge is still with DDA, and DDA is yet to hand over the same to the PWD for taking up full development of the road as also investigation and palnning work relating to the construction of the bridge.

(e) As per preliminary esimates of DDA, the bridge will cost Rs. 4 crores approximately. It is likely to take nearly three years for commissioning after works are taken up.

Housing activity in the country

4175. SHRI IQBAL SINGH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that all housing activity should immediately be accorded the status of an industry and given priority in tax concession with loan facilities and fiscal assistance in the country, particularly in the State of Punjab;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Manufacture of building materials and components has been granted the status of industry. Various fiscal concessions are also available in the form of excise and customs duty exemption in regard to manufacture of cost effective and innovative building components, particularly those based on agricultural and industrial wastes.

National Housing Bank, HUDCO and several housing finance institutions are providing long term finance for housing activity to individuals as well as housing agencies of States and U.Ts.

Housing being a State subject, States concerned are at liberty to accord appropriate priority to this sector for accelerating the pace of house construction by providing sufficient financial inputs.

Development of Agricultural Land

4176. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have allowed agricultural land owners to develop their land for urban development purposes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therfor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Urban Development is a State subject and there are State legislations governing the land use town planning aspects etc. Therefore the question of allowing agricultural land owners to develop their land for urban development purposes would fall within the perview of the State Government and not the Central Government.

राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र का विकास

4177. श्री अजीत जोगी : क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र के विकास के लिए कोई समयबद्ध योजना/कार्यक्रम तैयार किया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र की योजना के 1985 में आरंभ होने से लेकर आज तक इसके कार्यान्वियन में कुल कितना पूंजीगत परिव्यय शामिल है ?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० के० थुंगन) : (क) और (ख) राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र के विकास हेतु राष्ट्रीय राजधानी क्षेत्र योजना बोर्ड